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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOGADISCIO 0422

CINCPAC, CINCLANT, CINCUSNAVEUR FOR POLADS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR SO US

SUBJ: POSSIBLE U.S. NAVAL VISIT

REF: A. MOGADISCIO 0381; B. COMIDEASTFOR 240742Z MAR 74

1. SOMALI AMBASSADOR TO US ADDOU TOLD US HE HAD CONFIRMED DURING HIS CONSULTATIONS IN MOGADISCIO THAT GSDR ATTITUDE ON US SHIP VISIT IS AS DESCRIBED REFTEL (NOT CONVENIENT NOW BUT ASK AGAIN IN LATE SPRING).

2. ADDOU SAID GSDR DID NOT RPT NOT WANT VISIT DURING OAU SUMMIT PERIOD (FIRST HALF OF JUNE) AND THAT BEST TIME FOR US TO PROPOSE WOULD BE LATE JUNE OR JULY. HE AGREED THAT WE COULD USEFULLY RAISE QUESTION OF SUCH A VISIT WITH GSDR IN LATE APRIL OR EARLY MAY.

3. WE FEEL THAT JULY 8 - 9 DATE FOR MOGADISCIO VISIT BY USS MULLINNIX WOULD BE QUITE SUITABLE AND WILL PLAN TO SUGGEST THAT TO SOMALIS IN LATE APRIL OR EARLY MAY.

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4. MUCH AS I WOULD WELCOME CHANCE TO TALK WITH RADM. HANKS, I FEAR THAT HIS PROPOSED VISIT IS NOT RPT NOT IN THE CARDS. SOMALIS HAVE IN PAST BEEN ADAMANT IN REFUSING TO ALLOW US MILITARY AIRCRAFT TO LAND IN SOMALIA AND WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE EVEN MORE DIFFICULT TO SECURE PERMISSION FOR THIS THAN FOR SHIP VISIT ITSELF. FURTHERMORE, WE EXPECT THAT SOME OF THOSE ATTENDING OAU SUMMIT WILL STILL BE IN TOWN JUNE 18 - 19. THEREFORE, REGRETFULLY CONCLUDE WE SHOULD DROP IDEA OF COMIDEASTFOR VISIT FOR PRESENT AND CONCENTRATE ON ATTEMPTING TO GET SOMALI AGREEMENT TO MULLINNIX VISIT.

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